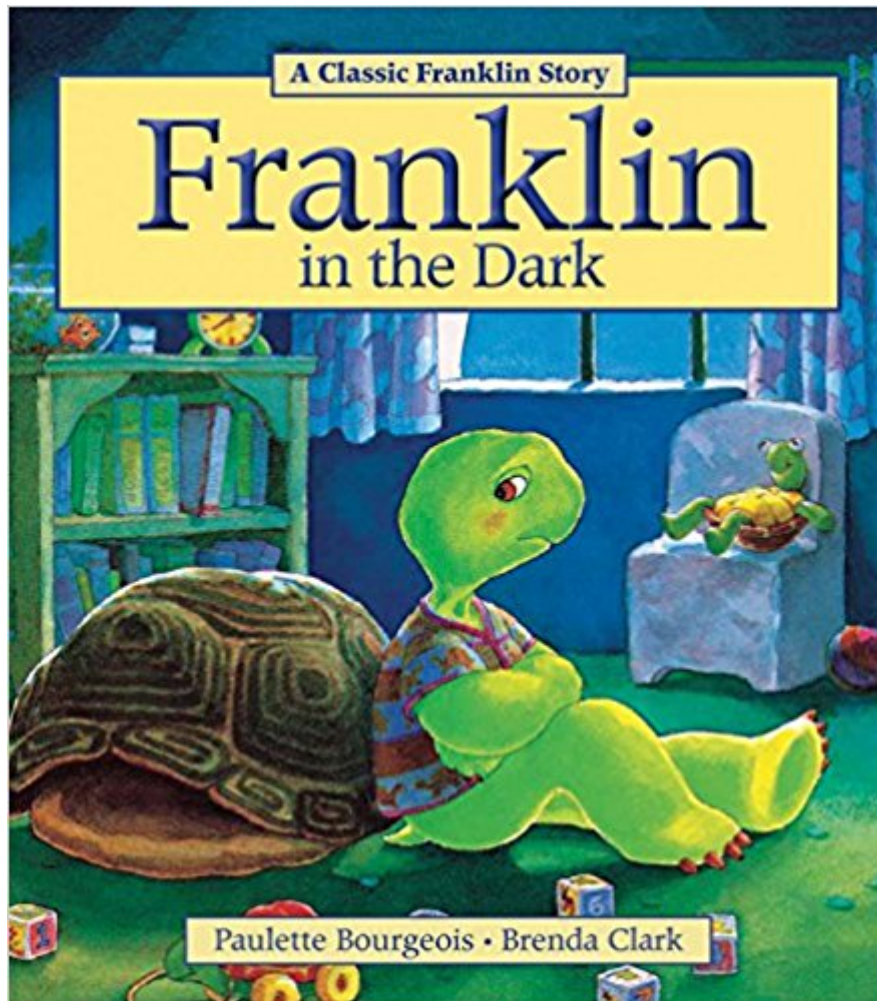




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Franklin In The Dark



Synopsis

This larger-format special collectible edition of the first Franklin book celebrates the 25th anniversary of the world's most beloved turtle. Includes never-before-seen archival material and personal letters from the author and illustrator that offers a fun behind-the-scenes peek at this Canadian classic. A perfect gift for long-time fans and a new generation of readers alike. In the Franklin Classic Storybook that started it all, poor little Franklin has one of the most common childhood afflictions --- he is afraid of the dark. This is particularly distressing for Franklin as he happens to be a turtle, and the darkness he fears is, of course, inside his own shell. Bravely, with shell in tow, he sets forth to seek help and in the course of his travels discovers a bird who is afraid of heights, a polar bear who is afraid of the cold, and even a hydrophobic duck. In the end, Franklin discovers that everybody is afraid of something, even his own mother, and his response to what he has learned is guaranteed to draw a smile.

Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

Paulette Bourgeois is the author of more than 40 books for children, including the In My Neighborhood series and Oma's Quilt. She lives in Toronto, Ontario. Brenda Clark is best known as the illustrator of the original Franklin the Turtle series written by Paulette Bourgeois. Other popular

titles she has illustrated include Sadie and the Snowman, Big Sarah's Little Boots, and the award winning, Little Fingerling. Brenda lives in Port Hope, Ontario.

First of all, the publication date listed for this item is not correct. It states that it will be out on February 1, 2011, but sent the item to me a few days ago and it is in my hands. It's 2011, and Franklin begins the celebration of his 25th anniversary with this wonderful book - a 25th anniversary edition of his very first adventure. This includes the complete, original "Franklin in the Dark." In the story, Franklin finds himself with a big problem. Turtles sleep in their shells, but it's dark in there, and Franklin is afraid of the dark. He drags his shell behind him and goes on a journey, looking for someone to help him with his problem. Though he doesn't find anyone who has a problem just like his, his adventure does give him an idea for how to overcome his fear. This 25th anniversary edition has so much more than the original story however. Included at the very beginning is Paulette Bourgeois's original manuscript - "The Turtle They Called Chicken," giving fans a rare look into the early development of the series. There is also original storyboard artwork and sketches, as well as letters from both Paulette Bourgeois and Brenda Clark. The pages at the back of the book contains even more excellent supplementary material. Readers are given a look at the development of the entire series - from the books to the television show, with the promise of an upcoming CGI series in 2011. There are also pictures of many different types of "Franklin" merchandise, some of which I didn't even know existed. There is also a wonderful look at the Franklin Children's Garden in Canada and a section on international editions of "Franklin." If you or your children are fans of this intrepid young turtle, this 25th anniversary edition of the original is a can't miss.

This book really helped my daughter get over her fear of the dark. We read it every night for months and now she doesn't talk about the dark much at all.

Love all the Franklin books. This one is so sweet

We love Franklin and can understand that he was upset that his Grandparents could not come for Thanksgiving. But everyone inviting several others will out anyone knowing about it was wonderful.

Helped my son stay in his room at night. Thanks Franklin!

This is a touching book about a beloved turtle named Franklin. The special 25th edition is special in

many ways: read the story of Franklin in the Dark, then learn more about Franklin and how he got his start, read a note from the author and illustrator, along with many other extras as well! The story is a great way to talk to your child about overcoming fears. We will definitely keep this book as a keepsake for many years!

Fun little book. I downloaded it to read to the 3 year old class at church this past Sunday for Thanksgiving and it kept their attention.

Beautiful story, with a great message. Helped my toddler realize his fear of the dark was something everyone faced and how light could help solve the problem of darkness.

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